

MILWAUKEE COUNTY COMMISSION FOR PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES

Deb Falk-Palec, Chairperson
Tim Ochnikowski, Director
October 10, 2016

MINUTES

St. John's Properties
1800 N. Prospect Ave
1:00 PM

ITEM I CALL TO ORDER

1:00pm

ITEM II ROLL CALL

Commissioner McGrath led the self-introductions of everyone in attendance, as Chair Falk-Palec could not attend.

Commissioners Present: Barbara Leigh, Cheri McGrath, Sue Pickering, Meg Steimle, Kathy Zalewski

Commissioners Absent or Excused: Luis Arroyo, Deb Falk-Palec, John Haupt, Tom Jacobs, Supervisor Willie Johnson, Denise Koss, Marcia Perkins, Andreij Walz-Chonacki

Staff: Mike Bonk, Tim Ochnikowski

Guests: Carolina Mulvey, Megan McGee – Ex Fabula
Tracy Harrington - MCTS

ITEM III APPROVAL OF MINUTES (September)

No quorum, minutes will be placed on the next agenda.

ITEM IV SPECIAL REPORTS

Ex Fabula (Equal Access Workshops), Megan McGee

Ex Fabula is a Milwaukee Nonprofit that strengthens community bonds through the art of storytelling. Ex Fabula focuses on telling a true, personal story or listen and cast a vote for your favorite stories. Ex Fabula has been featured in the Handy News & Notes Newsletter, and will feature upcoming events on November 4th and November 21st.

ITEM V TRANSIT PLUS REPORT

Ms. Harrington reported that there have been over 200,000 New Freedom Boarding's year to date. There have been over 100,000 ADA Boarding's. MCTS is looking to hire a new part-time travel trainer. MCTS has continued their partnership with UWM and now has offsite Transit Plus assessments.

ITEM VI COMMITTEE UPDATES

No Committee Updates

ITEM VII REVIEW OFFICE REPORT

Winged Flight art piece is at the Airport, and will be installed in the future. Construction is on schedule at Wil-O-Way Underwood. Grant Stage did not get funded this year, but should be next year. ADA projects are moving forward for Clerks office as well as accessible courtroom.

ITEM VIII COMMISSION DISCUSSIONS

A. Recreation Update(s)

Staff Mike Bonk gave an update regarding the RFP process. Two vendors applied for the RFP and the individuals scoring the RFP had just finished making their recommendations. The recommendation was to award Easter Seals of Southeast Wisconsin. This will not be finalized until it goes before the County Board in December.

In addition Mr. Bonk discussed the Recreation Connections meeting, which was an open meeting looking to get community feedback on the Recreational Programs as well as Summer Camps. About 15 people



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attend the event, and wanted to engage in more physical activities at the facilities, and try to have more offerings. People explained that they like the community outings. Some complained that the Program Guides need to get out in a more timely matter so they can prepare for the classes ahead of times. Mr. Bonk also discussed the Wil-O-Way Key Card Program explaining that there have been some changes to the benefits in the program since the Milwaukee Admirals moved from the BMO Bradley Center to the UWM Panther Arena. Key Card Members will receive 4 Tickets per game limited to 1 free game per month, and can purchase additional tickets at a reduced cost of \$10. Milwaukee Wave and Milwaukee Bucks Tickets incentives remained the same from previous years. Mike provided a brief overview of the Tap the Potential Events and explained the Winner of the Mitchell International Airport Art Show would be selected on Friday, October 14th. In addition Mike explained that OPD has partnered with the Wounded Warrior Project at the Wil-O-Way Underwood Location, and will provide support to veterans.

- B. Bus Stop at St. Francis Hospital
This item will be moved to next agenda
- C. Eric Hobbs Award
Winner will be selected October 14th
- D. Chairpersons Report

ITEM IX OTHER MATTERS BY COMMISSIONERS

ITEM X OTHER MATTERS BY THE PUBLIC

ITEM XI ADJOURN

Secretary McGrath adjourned the meeting at 1:45p.m. The next meeting of the Commission will be Monday, November 14th, 2016 at 1:00pm at St. John's Properties (1800 N. Prospect Ave, Milwaukee).

Submitted by: Mike Bonk, Staff to the Commission